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PETITION TO INTERVENE

Comes Paul G. Summers, the Attorney General & Reporter for the State of Tennessee, through the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division of the Office of Attorney General (hereinafter “Attorney General”), pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-118(c)(2)(A), and petitions to intervene on behalf of the public interest in this case because consumers will be affected by actions taken in this docket in which Antioch Water Company has requested a rate increase. In this case, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (“TRA”) has recently completed an audit of Water Antioch Company. This audit raises certain questions and issues that the Attorney General contends should be addressed before a final order is issued in this case.

In particular, the Attorney General asserts the following items should be addressed in this docket to protect the public interest:

1. If a rate increase is granted, the TRA should order an audit within six months after the granting of the rate increase in order to monitor the actual use made of the revenues received by Antioch Water Company. The Attorney General recommends that any increase be phased in with a portion of the increase being contingent upon Antioch Water Company providing proof of satisfactory completion of the capital improvements. These capital improvements must include all items that the Professional Engineer at the TRA identified during the audit. The TRA should insure that all the capital improvements referred to in support of the proposed rate increase are actually made before Antioch Water

Company receives the full rate increase. Antioch Water Company should be required to file a sworn statement with the TRA stating in detail the capital improvements that will be made followed by supplemental reports establishing that the improvements have in fact been made as represented in the original statement.

2. Consumers should receive adequate written 90 day notice of the proposed increase so they may make reasonable financial plans for it.
3. The TRA should insure that Antioch Water Company understands the need to avoid large rate increases in the future and the need to engage in planning in order to avoid such large increases.

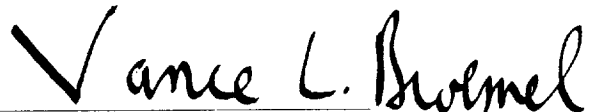
If the Attorney General is allowed to intervene it will make every effort to keep to the procedural schedule as previously set forth by the TRA, and would only ask for extensions of time for reasons not known at the present (such as illness, unexpected absence, etc.).

Wherefore the Petitioner prays that the Authority grant its Petition to Intervene.

Respectfully submitted,



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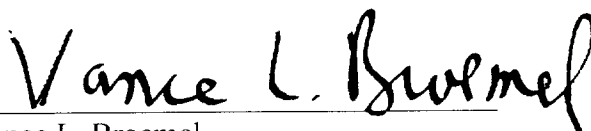
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I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the Petition to Intervene was served on parties below via U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, this December, 14, 2000.

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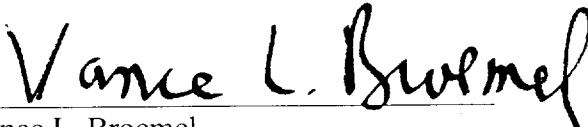
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